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**REASONS SUPPORTING
PRE-APPEAL BRIEF REQUEST FOR REVIEW**

In support of the Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review in the above-identified application, the following reasons are cited for the request for review. First, clear errors have been made in rejecting the claims. Second, the reference as explained by the Examiner has been misapplied to the claims.

I. CLEAR ERRORS IN THE REJECTION OF THE CLAIMS

The Examiner has failed to recognize certain limitations from the rejected claims. The Examiner has stated in the Final Office Action and in the Advisory Action that 'features upon which applicant relies (i.e., incremental; deciphering refers to an operation and/or process used in block encryption/decryption; and the deciphering is incremental because a round key can only partially decipher the ciphered text block) are not recited in the rejected claim(s).'

Claim 1 clearly calls for:

*incrementally deciphering a ciphered text for a first round using
the real time generated first deciphering round key to generate a partially
deciphered text;*

... and

*incrementally deciphering the partially deciphered text for a
second round using the real time generated second deciphering round key.*

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Since these limitations appear in claim 1, they should be given weight by the Examiner.

II. MISAPPLICATION OF THE REFERENCE TO THE CLAIMS

The Examiner has interpreted Wright reference and misapplied it to the claims. In the Advisory Action, the Examiner makes it clear that Wright teaches that:

1. a second cipher stream is used to encrypt a plaintext packet and then a different indexed second cipher stream is used to encrypt a subsequent plaintext packet; and
2. in another instance, a second cipher stream is used to encrypt a plurality of plaintext packets.

As explained by the Examiner own words, Wright does not teach the use of incremental deciphering. No reference teaches the use of incremental deciphering wherein a first round key generates partially deciphered text from the ciphered text and wherein a second round key is then applied to the partially deciphered text. *See claim 1.* Only in claim 1, for example, is there such a teaching involving incremental deciphering, in other words, the deciphering of ciphered text in increments using a different round key for each separate round of the incremental deciphering.

CONCLUSION

For at least the reasons set forth above, the review should find that the reference has been misapplied to the claims and, as a result, cannot support a *prima facie* case of unpatentability under 35 U.S.C. §102 or 35 U.S.C. §103. In addition, the review should find that clear errors were made in the rejection of the claims. It is respectfully requested that the review find in favor of withdrawing the rejections.

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